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Westbrook said the company indicated they would not want to be approved for the project if more than one commissioner was not in favor of approval; therefore, she withdrew the motion to approve Waid and Parrish as the architect for the project.

The commission will continue to search for an architect for this project.

Probate Judge William Gammill attended Monday's meeting and asked commissioners to support a proposed local bill regarding poll worker pay.

Gammill said he has worked

the county. Brooks also said he will work towards assisting senior citizens in getting medication and medical services; join the national organization (NACO) in the fight against methamphetamine and other illegal drugs; continue to work effectively with all areas of local, regional and state government on planning and economic development issues to bring jobs to Coffee County; and work to improve educational opportunities at the state schools and universities for the citizens of the county, region and state.

Other objectives Brooks said he will focus on as chairman will include: full home rule for Coffee County; work with local

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Superintendent Weeks. The board then approved the emergency hire of Cecelia Daniels as an instructional aide at the elementary school.

During the financial report Weeks reported that the monthly utility bills have jumped to \$28,000 a month. He added that this is in spite of strong efforts by teachers and other staff members to keep the utility costs down.

with the state association on a general bill regarding poll worker pay, but that bill has yet to be passed by the state legislature. While indications are that it will soon be passed, he said there is no way of knowing for sure, and therefore, asked commissioners to support a local bill reflecting that of the proposed state bill.

Gammill said the local bill calls for an increase in poll worker pay to \$100 and inspector pay to \$125. He said the only downside to the local bill is that if (general bill) does not pass statewide the county will be caught with the addi-

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and state officials on farm legislation that contributes to the success and prosperity of county farmers; support the continued growth and viability of Fort Rucker; improve working relationships between county and city governments; increase participation in the operation of their local government; support the continued growth of the cities and county to the extent

that retirees will be attracted to, settle and be comfortable residing in Coffee County; discourage partisan politics on the local level; discourage the use of racial, religious and taxation fears of our citizens for political gain; increase job opportunities to provide more local employment options for the best and brightest young minds being educated in the State of Alabama; and encourage professional athletes from the region to give back to their communities by helping support the school systems and/or charity organizations financially.

"These are the major goals and objectives that I will work with the commission to implement as chairman of the Coffee County Commission," said Brooks. "You see where I'm coming from and the issues I will be fighting for this year."

tional costs due to the local bill. Commissioner Grimley offered a motion to support the local bill and the general bill. He received a second from Commissioner Westbrook.

A question of "who will pay" if both bills are passed surfaced, and Commissioner Robert Stephens offered a motion to table the issue until the next commission meeting allowing time to find an answer to that question.

His motion passed by a narrow 4-3 vote. Voting in favor of tabling were commissioners Stephens, Doug Dalrymple, J.L. Weeks and Bernest Brooks. Voting against tabling were commissioners Grimley, Westbrook and Jim Thompson.

Commissioner Westbrook said the commission failed to include in this year's budget \$39,000 for Coffee County EMS. She said the appropriation was taken out last year but should have been included again this year.

Westbrook offered a motion with a second from Stephens to amend the budget to include this appropriation. Again, commissioners voted a narrow 4-3 vote; however, this time the vote defeated the motion. Voting against the motion were commissioners Dalrymple, Weeks, Thompson and Grimley. Voting in favor were commissioners Westbrook, Stephens and Brooks.

The next meeting of the Coffee County Commission will be Monday, Nov. 28, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

NOTICE

The Elba Clipper office will observe special deadlines for the Thursday, Nov. 24, edition of the paper.

The deadline for church and special news will be Friday, Nov. 18, at 4 p.m. The deadline for all other news and advertising will be Monday, Nov. 21, at Noon.

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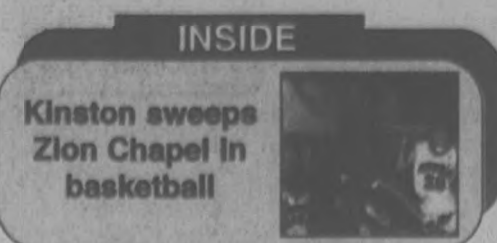
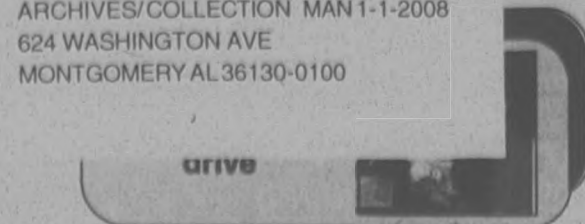
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Awards presented at annual Coffee County Farm-City banquet

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County joins the nation this week in celebrating Farm-City Week (Nov. 18-24), and the event began last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, when the county's business and agricultural industries came together for the annual Coffee County Farm-City awards banquet.



The banquet serves as an opportunity for the county's diversity to be recognized and celebrated as awards are presented to some of the businesses and farmers who helped make Coffee County a producing leader this past year.

A new award for this year's banquet was the Spirit of Coffee County Award, and the recipient was the Coffee County

Extension Office - the primary organizer of the Coffee County's Farm City Week activities.

Through the Alabama Cooperative Extension System, the Coffee County Extension officer delivers research-based education programs that enable people to improve their quality of life and economic well-being.

The award was presented by Elba Chamber of Commerce executive director Kaye Whitworth and Enterprise Chamber of Commerce executive director Kathy Sauer. During their remarks, Sauer said the Coffee County Extension office has always taken its work to the people. It has been a major catalyst in Coffee County, bringing rural and urban entities together for the good of the area.

Recently, Coffee County was selected 90th of 100 top counties in production/productivity.

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Set to provide access to STAR Sportsmanship for all elementary students

Local school systems stress importance of character education

Representative Terry Spicer, a leader in the statewide Sportsmanship Initiative, recently joined Senator Jimmy Holley, Elba City Schools superintendent Danny Weeks,

By aid of \$103,550 grant recently awarded

Elba Fire Department looks to improve service

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba Volunteer Fire Department was recently awarded a \$103,550 grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. This is part of an ongoing program to help local fire departments.

New portable radios for every volunteer fireman are on the list to be purchased. This will allow better communications and safety at emergency scenes.

A "Positive Pressure Ventilation Fan," equipped with a gasoline powered Honda engine, will be added. The department now has one smaller ventilation unit. They are used to quickly pull smoke from buildings which have suffered less than total fire damage.

The firemen will soon be sporting new "turnout gear" (bunker gear). The existing suits have been in use over ten years and are beginning to show signs of their age.

New full safety compliant "Self contained Breathing Apparatus" (air packs) will be added. The department purchased six new units last year. ISO standards require a total of 18 of these plus 18 extra battery packs.

This is a matching grant with the five percent match being paid locally. Jordan said they will be using funds from the county wide tobacco tax and other budgeted city funds.

Grant announced for Coffee County EMS

Federal funds to help them do their jobs more efficiently."

Two Wiregrass first responder agencies have been tapped for Federal grant funds totaling \$110,447. Congressman Terry Everett, R-Rehoboth, announced last week.

"I'm pleased to report the approval of these funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFGP) for Coffee County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) in Elba and Headland Fire and Rescue," Everett said.

"The AFGP award allocates \$86,507 to Coffee County EMS in Elba, and \$23,940 for Headland Fire and Rescue," Everett added.

"The funding comes from the AFGP's Operations and Firefighter Safety Program and can be used for training purposes, as well as to purchase needed personal protective and other equipment."

"I wish to congratulate these first responders for their service to the community and look forward to the release of these

throughout the state and among many of our state legislative and education leaders, we cannot be complacent that our children will know how to be good sports when they are surrounded by so many different examples."

Weeks said many basic concepts of sportsmanship are embedded in the games the students play in this program. He said that gives the students hands-on experience in making the right type decisions.

He said it helps the students learn to think before they react, control their temper, respect officials and coaches and proper

www.learningthroughsports.com.

With STAR, students are taught to stop before making an unwise decision, think about how their actions affect themselves and others, act promptly to demonstrate good sportsmanship and replay how they handled the situation and learn from it.

Also included are motivational messages about good behavior from sports celebrities.

"I commend all three superintendents and their schools for taking a leadership role in adopting the STAR Sportsmanship program for all their students," Spicer said. "As we have already recognized

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
with Ferrin Cox

A personal friend and a friend of all Alabama died last Friday and was memorialized on Tuesday of this week. Jack Venable, who was publisher of the newspaper in Tallapoosa and a long time state legislator, died after a long battle with cancer. Ironically he appeared to be winning that battle. In fact at a meeting last Friday we heard that he had told his secretary that he was planning to return to work this week. We were honored when asked to write a short memorial to Jack. He was a past president of the Alabama Press Association, a position we presently fill. Apparently everyone who knew him classified Jack as a straight shooter. He had the respect of his newspaper friends, his legislative co-workers and anyone else who worked with him. We closed our memorial comments with the statement: "Jack Venable was elected repeatedly as a Democrat, but served diligently as a statesman." Both Alabama and America need a bunch more lawmakers with such devotion to honor, integrity and statesmanship. Jack will be sorely missed, and not only by his lovely wife and two great (adult) children.

Civil rights hero Mrs. Rosa Parks died recently and was honored nationwide, as she should have been. However, we doubt seriously that she would have approved of having her body displayed all over the nation in the days following her death. Nor would Mrs. Parks have approved of the many political speeches made at her hours long funeral. Yet, with our opinions going in that direction, there is a realization that it really wasn't any of our business. It was a decision hopefully made by those family members closest to her. The experts all tell us family and loved ones are the ones who need comfort and closure at times like this.

Our devotion to watching football games has waned over the years. We can take them or leave them. Therefore there are mixed emotions as the college season winds down. Quite by accident it was discovered that visiting busy mall stores is best done during an important college football game. Last Saturday, during the Auburn-Alabama battle, you could have just about shot a rifle across the parking lots of some area malls - we know, as we were there. However, there was probably a mad rush of shopping after that game was over.

Hopefully all our readers will have a great Thanksgiving holiday. Personally we will be quietly at home on Thursday, but come Saturday the plan is to be enjoying the activities of those two darling grandchildren God has so graciously blessed Hedy and me with!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Nov. 14, 2005, investigated the following incidents: one family dispute, one harassment, one criminal trespassing, one driving under the influence, one suspicious vehicle, one assault, one resisting arrest and one criminal mischief.

The following arrests were made: two for assault, one for driving under the influence and one for resisting arrest.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: seven for speeding, one for following too close, two for no insurance, three for not wearing a seat belt and two for a suspended driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: MONDAY, NOV. 14 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 329 Brunson Circle (12:20 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 227 E. Davis St. (3:20 p.m.); TUESDAY, NOV. 15 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 2155 County Rd. 410 (9:45 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Hwy. 87 S. (3:29 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 745 Lee St. (4:12 p.m.); Two-vehicle wreck reported at intersection of Hwy. 189 and the 203 bypass (5:27 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the wreck at Hwy. 189 and 203 bypass (5:31 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 733 County Rd. 316 (7:15 p.m.); WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16 - Coffee County EMS dispatched

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Crusie, Jennifer Manhunting
Durham, Laura Better Off Wed
Hunter, Maddy Alpine for You
Jeffries, Sabrina One Night with a Prince
Rice, Patricia The Dante Club
Roberts, Nora The Calhouns ?
Suzanna Woods, Stuart Two Dollar Bill

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Baldacci, David The Camel Club
Connelly, Michael The Lincoln Lawyer
Cornwell, Patricia Predator
Devereaux, Jude First Impressions
Dodd, Christina Lost in Your Arms
Drake, Shannon Reckless
Evans, Nicholas The Divide
Flynn, Vince Consent to Kill
Hickman, Homer The Ambassador's Son

Hunter, Madeline The Charming
The Seducer
The Sinner
Lasko, Lesly Saffron Skies
Macomber, Debbie There's Something About Christmas
Roberts, Nora Gabriel's Angel
Slaughter, Karen Indelible
Steele, Danielle Toxic Bachelors
Sparks, Nicholas At First Sight
Woods, Stuart Iron Orchid

LARGE PRINT WESTERNS
Compton, Ralph The Ogallala Trail
Cotton, Ralph Killing Plain
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Fenady, Andrew J. Riders to Moon Rock
Gorman, Ed Dark Trail
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Overholser, W.D. Hearn's Valley
Patten, Lewis Massacre Ridge

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Reece, Colleen Frontiers: Flower of the West
Snelling, Lauren Dakota Dream
Wolverton, Cheryl A Wife for Ben

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UNABRIDGED BOOKS ON TAPE
Brown, Sandra Chill Factor
Evans, Richard P. The

Sunflower
King, Stephen The Colorado Kid

Holiday concert set for Dec. 4th in Troy

The Troy Symphony Orchestra will present their annual holiday concert on Sunday, December 4 at 3:00 p.m. in Claudia Crosby Theatre in Smith Hall at Troy University. This ensemble is conducted by Dr. James and Mrs. Ginger Zingara, professors at the John M. Long School of Music at Troy University. The orchestra, which combines area string, woodwind, brass and percussion musicians, integrates college students and community members from throughout the Wiregrass region.

The public is invited to attend and admission is free.

SPIRIT

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in agriculture by Farmers Fortune magazine. Sauer said while credit must go to the actual farmers and agribusiness, the extension is a vital part of helping the county achieve this type of success.

"Whether it is a simple question on the phone or a difficult task of solving today's economic challenges, the extension office is always ready and willing to serve our needs," said Sauer.

Happy Thanksgiving!



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Requesting canned goods for those in need
"Magical Christmas Float" set to lead Elba's Christmas parade

Once again this year, the New Seasons Study Club will sponsor the "Magical Christmas Float" in the Elba's Christmas Parade.

The purpose of this float is to collect canned goods for those in need this holiday season. The Elba queens will ride the "Magical Christmas Float" and members of the New Seasons Study Club will walk alongside the float to collect canned goods from parade watchers!

The parade starts at 4:30 p.m. this Saturday, Nov. 26, and the "Magical Christmas Float" is the first float of the parade beginning at 4:15 p.m.

Those wanted to join New Seasons Study Club in assisting with Christmas gifts for these children, should drop by The Peoples Bank, choose an Angel from the tree and purchase the item listed. Bring the purchased gift and the Angel back to the bank by Friday, Dec. 16, so that gifts may be wrapped and delivered.

Share a blessing with a child this season by being a Christmas Angel. For more information call Julie Holley at 897-2843.

A Word of Thanks

The old saying "you never know how many friends you have until you need one" is so true. When Austin was killed, Proverbs 17:17, "a friend loves at all times" was completely evident. Our friends and Austin's, were there for us, and with us, through thick and thin, triumph and tragedy. The food, flowers, and visitors were abundant reminders that no matter how short Austin's life was here on earth, he will live forever in the memories made. The stories we've been told have kept joy in our hearts, because he put joy in someone else's. Our spirits are lifted with each card and kind word. Although we know that Austin's life was cut short, we also know that God had a plan for him in Heaven. Thank you so much for all the love you have shared with us during this most difficult time in our lives.

The Family of Austin Kyle Smith

June 13, 1987 - August 18, 2005



"Only an Act Can be a Crime, Never an Idea"

Ring Lardner Jr., 1947

On November 25, 1947, with the release of the Waldorf Statement, the Association of Motion Picture Producers proclaimed the start of the infamous Hollywood blacklist. The statement was the film industry's response to a House of Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) investigation into communist influence in Hollywood.

Six months earlier, the HUAC had held hearings at which they heard from film industry witnesses that included Ronald Reagan and Walter Disney. These witnesses named forty-one people as potential subversives or communists. After the hearings, the committee targeted nineteen for further investigation, then ordered ten to appear before them for questioning at hearings held October 27 - 30.

The studios, fearing government intervention, reversed their previous opposition to the HUAC activities and severed all ties with the Hollywood 10 in the Waldorf Statement: We will forthwith discharge or suspend without compensation those in our employ and we will not re-employ any of the 10 until such time as he is acquitted or has purged himself of contempt and declares under oath that he is not a Communist.

Fear raced through Hollywood as the number of blacklisted actors, producers, directors, and writers grew rapidly. Before the blacklist expired, more than three hundred people found their names added to the list. By 1950, a booklet named Red Channels was being published and circulated to media executives. Those whose names appeared found themselves barred from working in any entertainment related medium. Among them were Orson Welles, Pete Seeger, Arthur Miller, and Edward G. Robinson.

Not until 1960, when Kirk Douglas and Otto Preminger credited blacklisted screenwriter Dalton Trumbo for his work on their films Spartacus and Exodus respectively, did the blacklist begin to fade away. Want to find out more about the Hollywood blacklist, and the consequences suffered by those on it? Take The Web Journey.

NEXT WEEK: Nearly a century after his death: some still want to ban his books.

Red Channels: The Report of Communist Influence in Radio and Television (1950)

The Authentic History Center has placed this primary source document online. It is the document used by media executive to determine whether they could hire a particular individual. Included are the cover page, introduction, and references to some of the most famous performers who were blacklisted.

Web Address: <http://tinyurl.com/dlcvz7>

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I express support for Judge Samuel A. Alito, Jr., to become the next Supreme Court justice. Judge Alito is fair and he strictly interprets the law, which is a quality that all judges need. His experience on the 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals is unparalleled to any other judge who could have been nominated. He is a conservative with views more along the line with mainstream America.

When a 1985 application from a younger Judge Alito came into the picture this week, we began to hear cries of Alito as a "pro-life" judge. (Gasp.) In the document in which Alito was applying to be deputy assistant attorney general for the Reagan Administration, Alito asserted that "the Constitution does not protect a right to an abortion" and gave his conservative views of abortion, including praising his work for the solicitor general's office to combat abortion and abortion "rights."

Judge Alito is entitled to a hearing from Congress, and does not deserve the scrutiny that he will receive, and that I predict. Liberals will try to paint Alito as someone he is not, and America does not need, nor deserve, this kind of unpatriotic action. When, on November 2, 2004, 62,040,610 American voters asked to give America four more years of Bush prosperity, they knew that judicial nominations came with the job. America liked Bush then, and they like him now. From 2000 to

2004, Bush picked up 11,580,500 new Bush voters. I will not get into all the 2004 politics, but I will tell you this: George W. Bush is our president, and he has the right to make judicial appointments. He should be allowed to make those appointments with no roadblocks. The mainstream of America is a conservative style, not a liberal style. Ted Kennedy is nowhere near America's mainstream. (I think it is best to keep Ted Kennedy away from streams altogether.) Hillary Clinton is not the mainstream. John Kerry is not the mainstream.

Judge Samuel Alito is America's mainstream, and he should be confirmed. Sincerely, Eric W. Bast Ozark, AL

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IT HAPPENED THIS WEEK!
When it opened on November 28, 1910, it was the largest railway station in the world. Fittingly, it was located in the largest city in the world, and served the public until its demolition in the early 1960s. It was named for a state, but not the one in which it was located. Can you name the station? Need to find the answer?

BEYOND OUR BORDERS
The world's largest inland sea is the Mediterranean. To its north lies Europe and to the south is Africa. On its easternmost shores are Asia and the Middle East. For over three thousand years, it has been a highway allowing communities to trade with one another, and in its history lay the roots of our western civilization. With a coastline of nearly 28,000 miles, twenty-four countries share its shoreline. Find out more about the sea that is the cradle of our civilization at <http://tinyurl.com/9jodv>

THE WEB JOURNEY
HUAC and the Rise of Anti-Communism
This project by a graduate student at the University of Copenhagen discusses the Hollywood 10, its members, and the activities of the House of Un-American Activities Committee during the late 1940s and early 1950s. Some minor translation errors are evident, but the work offers a well-researched overview of events.
Web Address: <http://tinyurl.com/a78y>

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Seated (left to right): Kayla Homyak, secretary; Kayla Kelley, president; and Ashley Waddell, treasurer. Standing (left to right): Ashley Carley, Kendall Stinson, Tori Brooks, Andrea Bond, Whitney Anderson, Whitney Lawford, Amanda Pope, Tessa Lee, Elena McCormick, Gale Olson, and Shawanna Wright.

Senior Girl Scouts of Troop #300 honor other members with seated dinner recently

The graduating members of Senior Girl Scout Troop #300 honored the other members of the troop at a seated dinner on Monday November 14th at the Elba United Methodist Church. The four course dinner was prepared and served by their mothers.

The fourteen seniors had planned a color scheme of pink and black. Two girls acted as

hostesses at each table and were responsible for devising attractive decorations using the theme colors, setting the table correctly, planning the seating arrangement, keeping the conversation going so that every girl felt included and presiding over a silver service when the dessert course was served.

The decorations showed a wide range of creativity and

individuality. Centerpieces were created from hot pink shasta daisies, roses or chrysanthemum, some with small black fish swimming among the flower stems. Pink and black table coverings highlighted the selection of "place cards," some used acrylic picture frames, slender vases filled with sea shells or a single flower, crystal shoes filled with pink candles or champagne glasses supporting pink candles each with the guests' names painted in pink.

The seniors wore pink bolero jackets made for them by Lizzie Wright. The girls' names were embroidered on the front and the words "Pink Ladies" on the back in black.

Chairperson of the dinner was Melinda Lee. The dinner served as a training for the troop's annual Christmas dinner.

Miss Hornsby & Mr. Sharp to be united in holy matrimony

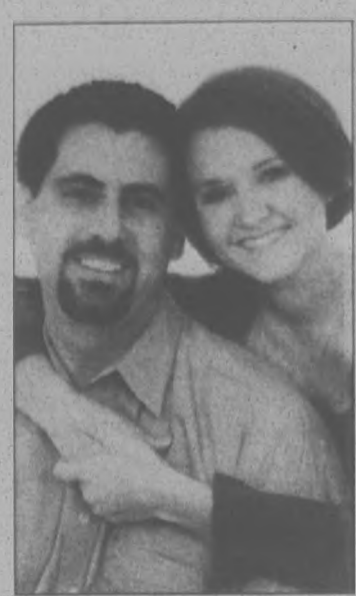
Timothy H. and Virginia S. Hornsby of Headland, Ala. would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Lee Hornsby of Headland, Ala. to Anthony Paul Sharp of Mobile, Ala., son of John L. and Jane Sharp of Mobile.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Elva L. Price of Troy, Ala., the late Mr. James Howard Hornsby of New Brockton, Ala., the late Mr. Hubbert Price of Troy and the late Mr. and Mrs. Levey Stephens, Jr. of Elba, Ala. She attends the University of South Alabama in Mobile, where she will graduate in May of 2006 with a Bachelor of Arts in

Communication: Public Relations with a General Business minor.

The future bride-groom is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sharp of Dumas, Arkansas and the late Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Henley of Monticello, Arkansas. He attended the University of South Alabama in Mobile and is employed with a prominent bank in Gulf Shores, Ala.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, December 17, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. at the Headland United Methodist Church in Headland. A reception will follow at the Dothan Conference Center in Dothan, Ala. All family and friends are invited to attend.



Mr. Sharp & Miss Hornsby

Clyde L. Sadie

Enjoy one of America's premier vocal groups of the late 1950's and 1960's, The Lettermen in a holiday concert at Elba High School sponsored by Coffee County Arts Alliance, December 12 at 7:30 p.m.

With 70 albums to their credit and known for their letter sweaters and harmonious love ballads, they will have you humming along to such great songs as "The Way You Look Tonight," "When I Fall in Love," "Portrait of My Love," "Theme from 'A Summer Place,'" "She Cried," "Goin' Out of My Head/Can't Take My Eyes Off You," and "Smile." Holiday selections such as "White Christmas," "Let It Snow," "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year" and "Little Drummer Boy" will be featured. Visit www.coffeeartsalliance.com or call 334-406-1617.

Ticket Outlets include: Elba Bradley Florists & Gift 334-897-2422, New Brockton New Brockton Florist & Gift Shop 334-894-6737, David's Westgate Beauty Salon 334-406-1617, The Frame & v 334-347-7800, Ft. Rucker ITR Soldier Service Center 334-894-6737.

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CHURCH & AREA NEWS



THE ELBA LIONS CLUB is sponsoring a gospel concert Saturday, November 26, at the Elba High School beginning at 7:00 p.m. The featured groups will be The Kingmen and Psalm IV.

The Kingsmen Quartet is no stranger to southern gospel music, having amassed nearly 75 years of musical service, their mission is not solely entertainment but to encourage every individual who attends their concerts - whether it be in song or a one-on-one conversation with an audience member, they hope to put a smile on your face, a song in your heart, and make your way just a bit easier. Tickets are \$10.00.

Round & About With Elba

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*****THINKING OF YOU: PRAYING FOR YOU:** Rev. Bruce Ingram, Carlos Davis, The Seagriff Family, Frank Phillips, Jr., Helen Phillips, Catherine Johnson, Mamie Belcher, Ernestine Kelley, Jannie Arrington

*****NOVEMBER BIRTH-DAYS:** Tanisha Flowers - Nov. 21, Maria Duncan - Nov. 22, Anna Moultry - Nov. 23 (In Memory Of), Lady Bird Rodgers - Nov. 23, Aubretta Williams Mitchell - Nov. 24, Kanika Tahirah "Ki Ki" Belcher - Nov. 26, Willie Mae Whitehurst - Nov. 27, A.R. Williams - Nov. 27, Audrey M. Williams - Nov. 27, Winnie James - Nov. 30

*****FAMILY & FRIENDS DAY:** Family and Friends Day celebration will be held at Star of Hope Missionary Baptist Church of Luverne, Ala. on November 27, 2005 at 2 p.m. The guest speaker will be pastor Michael Clemons, pastor of Little Baptist Hill of Rutledge, Ala.

*****23RD PASTOR APPRECIATION:** The 23rd Pastor Appreciate for Pastor A. R. Williams and family will be held at Rocky Head MB Church of Elba, Ala. on November 27, 2005 at 10:30 a.m. The event is being sponsored by Pastor's Aide Society.

*****AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY:** Did you know? James M. Rodgers, Jr., of Durham, N.C., was the first African American to be named Teacher of the year, in 1962.

Did you know? The first African American woman to be promoted to the rank of Brigadier General in the U.S. Air Force was Marcelite J. Harris of Houston, Tex. in 1990. Question: What state has the highest percentage of African Americans? Answer: New York. Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Hanging of the Geens Advent service set at Mt. Olive Baptist Church

Mt. Olive Baptist Church will begin the Advent Season on Sunday evening, Nov. 27, 2005 at 5 p.m. and will include the lighting of the advent wreath, placement of the Nativity Scene, hanging of the Evergreens, and

will conclude with a congregational candle lighting. Public is invited to attend. Mt. Olive is located in the Pine Level Community on County Road 855, Elba, Ala.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Roger Miller

Elba 1st Baptist Church

In the midst of King David's despair, he wrote these words, "I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; The humble shall hear of it and be glad. Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together."

During these past eleven months we have seen the very best and the very worst of human nature. Our nation has experienced tremendous challenges to stay the least. Yet, in the midst of all we have faced, there has been one constant. God has remained faithful. No other nation on the face of the earth has been as blessed as America has. From the plains of the west to the rocky shores of our eastern shoreline, the hand of God can be felt as He continues to express His love to this nation and to the people of this great land.

As proud as I am to be an American, there is something even greater. What could be greater than being a citizen of the United States? What could be better than living in a nation where freedom is a reality? To be a child of God and a citizen of Heaven. To be an American is a wonderful thing but to be a Christian is much greater. David knew that no matter what he faced here on this earth, God was with him. This is why David could write the words of Psalm 34:1-3.

Have you ever thought about how fortunate we are? It is not because it or because we are owed it. It is only because of the grace of God. Thursday, as you gather with your family to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal, remember why it is possible. It is because of a faithful God who loves us despite our shortcomings. Make sure you take time to properly thank Him. He deserves it.

St. Luke United Methodist Church to sponsor Live Nativity

St. Luke United Methodist Church is sponsoring a drive-through Live Nativity (9 scenes) Saturday/Sunday, December 10-11 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

An Enterprise tradition since 1993, the nine scenes encourage the visitor to go back in time to Caesar's castle, Mary and Joseph's journey, shepherds and angels, Herod's palace, the inn in Bethlehem and finally, the nativity scene in the stable. St. Luke families in colorful costumes and settings with music and live animals portray the familiar biblical scenes.

The scenes are viewed by driving through the church parking lot. St. Luke is located behind Enterprise High School on Heath Street.

The Live Nativity is a gift from St. Luke United Methodist Church to the community.

Everyone is invited to come and share in this celebration of Christmas.

Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church to host gospel singing

Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church, located on Hwy. 110 between 125 and 167, will hold a gospel singing

Saturday, Nov. 26, at 7 p.m. The guest performers will be the Pea River Singers and The Snellgroves.

Everyone is invited.

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Church Directory

<p>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Pastor: Richard Thorne, Sr. Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ALBERTSON BAPTIST CHURCH Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Nathan Carroll Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BETHLE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Pastor: Elsie Phillips-Copes Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Darrell Caldwell Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Tim Sosa Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Robert Davis Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Marvin Baster Sun. School: 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays: 9:00 a.m. Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays: 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays: 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST E. H. Hill, Minister Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 12:00 noon 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays: 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH Pastor: Mari Gray Bible Study: 9:00 a.m. Followship: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night Youth Rest, Deal and Children's Activities: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Robert McWaters Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 6:00 p.m. Even. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Don Cranham Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Discipleship Training: 5:00 p.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed.: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>EANON BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Bernard Strickland Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Pastor: Tim Connolly, Minister Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD Pastor: Ron Stallard Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Sun. Service: 10:00 a.m. Evangelistic Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY Pastor: Rev. David Talbot Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sun. School: 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE Pastor: Allen Richards Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA IN ASSEMBLY OF GOD Pastor: Rev. Beverly Head Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Roger Miller Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Stanley Carter Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:30 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Stanley Carter Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH Pastor: Ralph Medley Jr. Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>IN ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON Pastor: Danny Bradshaw Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Pastor: Ray Stinson Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH Pastor: Bro. Billy Berry Sat. Service: 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Willie L. Peterson Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Stanley Carter Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Pastor: Shirley Ellis Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>HERBON BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Rick Hayes Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD Pastor: Stanley D. Art Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>INO BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Garry Winstead Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: J. R. Parks Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sun. School: 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays: 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Fred Fowler Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Richard B. Moss Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Larry Grimes Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW ERENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Deane Delmonico Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 5:30 p.m. Wed. Service: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Pastor: Elder Charles Newman Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Bib. Stud. Thurs.: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. E. L. Flowers Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHADE GROVE A.M.E. CHURCH Pastor: Rev. T. L. Flowers Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Bro. Joe Farris Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Earl Smith Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Roy L. Turner Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Donnie Barber Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Worship: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>VICTORY TABERNACLE Pastor: Bro. Billy Berry Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Rev. Bobby Halliday Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WHITETWATER BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Pastor Randall Pearson Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>WISE HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD Pastor: Kenneth Hagler Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Roger Lee, Pastor Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study: 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Pastor: Mike Medley Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor: Charles Barrow Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship: 10:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>ZOAR COMMUNITY CHURCH Pastor: John Isaacs Sun. School: 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship: 11:00 a.m. Even. Service: 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service: 7:00 p.m.</p>
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SCHOOLS

Co-Op Spotlight

by Shawanda Whitfield



This week's Co-Op Spotlight is **Rashad Robinson**. He is the 18-year-old son of Freddie and Tracey Robinson.

Rashad is currently employed at C&R Car Care, where he has been employed for two and a half years; he holds the position of detailing the cars.

At Elba High, Rashad is actively involved in FFA, VICA, FBLA and FCCLA. After graduating from high school, he plans to attend college to pursue a degree in business administration and own his own business.

When asked how he would describe himself, he said that he has a good sense of humor, cares for others and is very ambitious. Congratulations, Rashad, on being this week's Co-Op Spotlight!!!!

Elba Elementary Menu

Nov. 28 - Dec. 2, 2005

BREAKFAST

Monday - Cheese Sandwich, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Pancake, Pop/Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Popart, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

Monday - Chicken Sandwich, Buttered Carrots, Green Beans, Applesauce, Milk
Tuesday - Vegetable Beef Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Pickles, Peach Cup, Milk
Wednesday - Hoagie, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Jelly, Milk
Thursday - Pizza, Broccoli w/ Cheese, Corn on Cob, Baked Sweet Potato, Milk
Friday - Fried Chicken, Rice, English Peas, Roll, 1/2 Orange, Milk



Tiger Tales

Editors:
Shawanna Wright
& Melanie Mularz

Students complete canned food drive

by Duke Carr

The elementary and high school recently held their annual canned food drive.

Each year students at both schools are asked to donate cans to be given to people in need over the holidays. However, this year's drive hit a little closer to home.

With the recent devastation that the gulf coast has sustained due to the recent hurricanes, the drive could not have come at a better time. Students were asked to donate what they could to help those affected by the recent events.

Things started out slow, but in the end both schools collected more than 2,000 cans together. The drive was a huge success, and the contribution that the schools made was tremendous.

Thanks to all of those who helped make this year's canned food drive a success!!!!

Elba High School conducts annual blood drive

by Sydney Brunson

On Monday, Nov. 14, Elba High School held its annual blood drive given by the organization LifeSouth.

Teachers encouraged their students to help save a life. Many of Elba High's teachers, juniors and seniors came and donated.

The school's student council members volunteered to make the nurses and others to make the drive a success.

Hopefully the generosity of the school's students and faculty will help to save many lives.

A Salute To Those Who Gave!



Senior Kendall Stinson prepares to make her donation



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Veterans Day observed at Elba City Schools

by Kayla Kelley

On Thursday, Nov. 10, the Elba City Schools' students and faculty took time out of their busy day to observe one of the nation's most respected holidays, Veterans Day.

Programs were held at both Elba Elementary and Elba High schools to honor those men and women who have fought and continue to fight for America.

The elementary school's program was coordinated by Mrs. Pam Mitchell and Mr. Tom Maddox. Student Council officers Thomas Cole, Chase Sauls and Brinley Williams also aided in making the assembly a success.

The students became involved when joining Mrs. Mitchell's second grade class in singing the "National Anthem."

The sixth grade band also asked for audience participation while playing "America" and "God Bless America."

Elba High School also held a program in observance of the holiday, which was led by the Elba High School Key Club.

The program opened with the presentation of "Old Glory" and proceeded with the singing of the "National Anthem" and "America the Beautiful."

Reverend Stanley Carter of Elba said a few words on behalf of all veterans. Lauren McClung, an eleventh grade student, also shared what she had



The Elba High School Key Club sponsored a Veterans Day program held at the high school. A separate program also was held at the elementary school honoring veterans.

learned about her grandfather while doing an assignment given to interview veterans. The program closed with a motivational video about veterans and the playing of "Taps."

Many veterans attended both programs and were recognized for their bravery and service toward our nation. Each program was an individual success and helped remind the students of how much veterans do for everyone.

Senior Brandon Kelley gives the gift of life

Journalism Spotlight

by Shawanna Wright

This week's student spotlight goes to Dancelyn Jenae Wilson. Jenae is the 17-year-old daughter of Sabrina Hooks, and she has always attended school in Elba. Her activities include being a member of the varsity volleyball team, vice-president of FBLA, and a member of the Harris Temple COGIC.

Jenae enjoys reading, playing volleyball, going out with friends, traveling and talking on the phone. After high school, Jenae plans to attend college in Atlanta and do a little modeling.

When asked to describe herself, she stated, "I'm a laid-back, smart kind of person who enjoys being with my family and having fun."

Congratulations, Jenae, on being selected as this week's Student Spotlight.

Journalism Spotlight

by Shawanna Wright

TOP TEN STUDENT FROM AEC ESSAY CONTEST... (front left to right) Brianna Bailey, Melanie Mularz, Katie Cash and Wade Kindred; (back left to right) Chase Boutwell, Lauren McClung and Jason Johnson. Not pictured: Anna Petty, Whitney Bailey and Adam Henderson. **Note: This photo goes with an article printed on last week's Tiger Tales page. **

Journalism Spotlight

by Shawanda Whitfield

This week's Journalism Spotlight is **Shawanda Whitfield**. Shawanda is the 17-year-old daughter of Brenda Robertson and Robert Flowers.

This senior devotes much of her time to different clubs and organizations such as the Elba Marching Tiger Band and Concert Band, EHS Ambassadors and Senior Beta. She also serves as a Key Club officer and is a former varsity cheerleader.

Shawanda enjoys shopping, going to the movies and hanging out with Wanda. Her favorite part about being in journalism is expressing herself through writing creatively.

Other interesting facts about Shawanda are that she likes wearing pink, eating fried chicken and watching Lifetime movies on Sundays.

Congratulations, Shawanda, on being this week's Journalism Spotlight!

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SCHOOLS

New Brockton High School's Students of the Month



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER were Junior Magwood, Anna Bryant, Alexa Adams and Aton Evans.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER were Steven Smith, Rashad Andrews, Abi Dunaway and Callie Hollis.

Elba High School Honor Rolls - 1st Nine Weeks

A HONOR ROLL

9th Grade:

Kristin Marie Kelley, Molly Ann McGuire, Hannah Michele Morgan, Kayla Nicole Parks, Chastity Ann Slenker, Lindsey Elizabeth Smith, Bethany Lynn Wilson

8th Grade:

Locanna Janae Carnley, Jonathan T. Farmer, Justin Blake McLaughlin, Denzel Neal

7th Grade:

Meredith Brunson, Ethen Dodd, Lee Andrew Head, Robyn Denise Hudson, Cortin Megan Lee, David Eric Maddaloni, Kristopher Jordan McBride, Dylan Reese McCollough, Jason Carter Mitchell, Kiera Shade Robertson, Richreana Branne Singletary

6th Grade:

Ashley Nicole Carpenter, James Douglas Martin III, Tia McCown, Kayla Ann Morrow Miller, Brittany Lashawn Phillips, April Price, Douglas Blake Qualls, Jonathan Ashton Rodriguez, Tyler White

5th Grade:

Brianna Lynne Bailey, Brian Dean Blair, Chase William Boutwell, Sydney Treadwell Brunson, Christina Young Bryant, Eric Lee Butts, Mary Catherine Cash, Melissa Annette Cook, Emily Lee Driggers, Whitley Deanna Kilcrease, Kelecia Denise Magwood, Lauren Alexis McClung, John Cory Miller, Nicholas Deprento Nelson

4th Grade:

Whitney Anderson, Kayla Michelle Byrd, Lloyd Grantham Carr, Ben Dixon Coppage, Heather Nicole Harper, Kayla Brook Homyak, Brittany Nicole Hudson, Timothy Carmichael Jackson, Kayla Marie Kelley, Whitney Vaughan Lawford, Kikito Logan, Amanda Mauldin, Annie Elena McCormick, Casey Michele Medlock, Stacey Yvette Mitchell, Gabe Olson, Andrew Thomas Parker, Amber Nicole Pike, Demetrius Rashad Robinson, Amanda Ann Slenker, Judson Will Vaughan, Ashleigh Hayden Waddell, Laymon Lamar Ware, Elizabeth Emily Weeks, Aubrey Laray Linger Williams, Shawanna Monique Wright

3rd Grade:

Summer Chanel Blackmon, Ashley Burri, Katelyn Rebecca Calhoun, Lindsey Brooke Carnley, Kendall Brenae Cole, Joseph Aubrey Coxwell, Sydney Teana Crittenden, Jesse Frank Dodd, Keyawne Quinteros Gavin, Brittany Nicole Gilbert, Benjamin Chance Goosby, Kelsey L. Horstead, Amber Marie Hudson, Robyn Renee Johnson, Tanesha Johnson, Megan King, Tory Scott Morris, Jessica Marie Orr, Shaundra De'Mon Robinson, Xavier Lavelle Rodgers, Jordan Slake Sanders, Alexis Michelle Tillis, Amber Sherrese Walker, Robert Jesse White

2nd Grade:

Manford Edward Bobbitt, Taylor Leanda Creel, Latofia Cherelle Culver, Tyreonda Janeyra Gray, Donnell Deion Horstead, Jr., Devin Blake Jackson, Keri A'Nise Jones, Zackery Kevin Kelley, Brock Ashton, Lambert, Lindsay Megan McClung, Emily Ann Miller, Kate Nicole Oliver, Jeremy Kyle Pope, Kayla Rial,

1st Grade:

Justin Hammonds, Daniel Aaron Harrelson, Sabrina Hatchcock, Brittany Ann Holley, Bobby Randall Hudson, Guccie Hudson, Tiffany Renee Johnson, Kayla Sha'Nise Jones, Dancesha Shanay Jordan, Kayla Kristen Kyser, Martin E. McCormick, Jesse Franklin Oglesby, Krystan Paige Parker, Tatiana Rashe Parker, Marshall Iglal Reynolds, Lodon Rhoades, Kandace Latrice Smith, Tierney Keyana Starks, Yoyesha Audria Terry, Dimetrio Martinez Tyson

11th Grade:

Whitney Amber Bailey, Christopher Boutwell, Brandon Boutwell, Clara Burrows, Mericka Crawford, Laura Grover, Michael Lamar Hall, James Hay, Adam Henderson, Jason F. Johnson, Jennifer L. Jones, Richard Wade Kindred, Kasi McDonald, Melanie Reese Mularz, Anna Marie Petty, Stephanie Sanders, Donna

10th Grade:

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SPORTS

Views from....

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The holiday season is now officially here and at the Mularz house that means getting together with family and friends, unloading Christmas decorations from their boxes and shopping for gifts. The shopping and checking out strings of lights are two things I always dread. However, I cherish the opportunity to be with my family and for the next several weeks will enjoy that to the fullest!

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** The rumor that Elba was moving back to Class 3A for the next two years came true last week when the Alabama High School Athletic Association announced its classifications for the 2006-2008 school years. Elba added over 30 students to its rolls since the last classification change, and in doing so moved from the seventh largest school in Class 2A to the middle of the pack in Class 3A. Elba's stay in the 2A ranks was short and uneventful. So, the move back to 3A may actually come as a welcome change for the Tigers in all sports. By the way, in football the Tigers will now compete in the same region with Pike County, Straughn, Dale County, Abbeville, Headland, Slocomb and Calhoun. In basketball the Tigers will compete against Calhoun, Pike County and Straughn, which makes it look like the move may be tougher for the basketball program to overcome than in football. Other area schools making a move included Rehoboth from 4A to 5A, Goshen from 1A to 2A, and Barbour County from 3A to 2A.

*** The Brantley Bulldogs kept their state title hopes alive last week with a 27-0 win over Loachapoka. The Bulldogs struggled on offense in the first half and managed only one first down and 14 yards in total offense, but carried a 21-0 lead into the dressing room thanks to a long fumble return for a touchdown and two pass interceptions that led to a pair of one-yard scoring drives. The offense did wake up in the second half and rolled to one score to wrap up the win, while over on defense the Bulldogs made the big plays when they needed to and posted a shut-out on the road. Former Elba Tiger head coach Mack Wood always said to win a state title a team must survive a night on the road when little is going right, and for the Bulldogs to have only 14 yards in offense in the first half has to qualify as one of those nights.

*** The third round of the high school football playoffs is now in the books and it was a week of upsets all across the state in just about every classification. In 6A, top-ranked Prattville and #3 Davidson both were eliminated, while in 5A Benjamin Russell knocked Briarwood and in 4A Thomasville knocked off defending state champ Demopolis. The upsets kept on coming in 3A, with T.R. Miller pulling a shocker over defending state champ Oneonta. All the coaches say there are no weak teams left this time of the year, and I guess maybe they are right.

*** The Elba Tigers were scheduled to tip off the basketball season earlier this week in Rehoboth and this year's Tigers will be loaded with veterans as Coach Glenn Johnson will field a varsity team with 13 seniors, including the top seven players from last season. A couple of players are still slowed by football injuries and it may be after the first of the year before the team is at full strength. However, when this bunch gets going they should be fun to watch and should be able to light up the scoreboard.

*** The high school basketball season tipped off last week and for county teams it was a so-so week as Kinston was the only team to grab a win. The Bulldogs overcame two early-week losses to bounce back and defeat Zion Chapel, while the Rebels opened with losses to Wicksburg and Kinston and New Brockton opened with a loss to Daleville. The season is now going full blast at most area gyms and it looks like another exciting season for all the fans.

*** In closing... Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator dropped by early over the weekend and just shook his head over last week's 16-8 record in picking the playoff games across the state. The local guessperts was quick to point out that he did correctly predict such toss-ups as T.R. Miller over Oneonta, Southern Choctaw over Houston Academy and Leroy over Cottonwood, and added that his yearly state of 303-61 is still one of the best in the state. Oh well, here are this week's picks....

PLAYOFF PICKS....

BRANTLEY VS. AMERICAN CHRISTIAN

The Bulldogs from up across the creek had plenty of time to warm up last week after their long ride back from Injun country and this week will get to eat turkey at home and then play a little football in the back yard when they host some big city bullies from up in North Alabama. The 'Dogs will be underdogs in this week's semifinal clash, but the guess here is they will have plenty of room for some dessert and will continue their holiday celebration late Friday night. **BRANTLEY 33 AMERICAN CHRISTIAN 28**

OTHER PICKS:

Pike County 20 T.R. Miller 10
Southern Choctaw 29 Leroy 22
Opelika 17 Daphne 16
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Elba Tigers make move back to Class 3A

The Elba Tigers will be moving from Class 2A to Class 3A for the 2006-2008 school years and face new area and region opponents in basketball, baseball and football, according to the latest Alabama High School Athletic Association reclassification plan, announced last week.

The AHSAA reclassifies its member schools every two years based on a school's average daily attendance during a twenty day period in October. The figures, furnished by the State Department of Education, are based on the number of students in each school's upper three grades, plus ninth grade hold backs.

An index of 1.35 is used to determine the enrollment figures for private schools, which means that each private school student counts 1.35 for the purpose of determining a school's classification.

Elba High School had dropped from Class 3A to Class 2A two years ago and was the

seventh largest school in the classification with 199 students. However, according to this year's student enrollment, Elba High School now has 230 students in its top three grades, which prompted the change in classification.

"We had been hearing that we would probably be moving up," said Elba Tiger football coach Scott Rials. "So, it didn't really come as a surprise. We know the level of competition will be high at the 3A level. However, the region we competed in for the past two years included some of the state's top teams and I really don't think the change will make that much of a difference."

In the new region alignment, Elba will compete in football with Pike County, Straughn, Slocomb, Abbeville, Dale County, Headland and Calhoun. In basketball, the Tigers will compete in an area alignment with Pike County, Straughn and Calhoun.

AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE

CLASS 6A

1. Bob Jones 1751
2. Murphy 1676
3. Hoover 1639
4. Sparkman 1518
5. R.E. Lee 1500
6. Prattville 1456
7. Jeff Davis 1419
8. Grissom 1419
9. Enterprise 1265
10. Vestavia 1257
Also: (13) Smiths Station 1204; (18) Auburn 1089; (26) Dothan 969; (36) Lanier 931; (41) Opelika 867; (47) Northview 819; (49) Carver 810.

CLASS 5A

1. Decatur 687
2. Parker 670
3. Gardendale 667
4. Madison County 385
5. Elmore County 381
6. Hartsville 635
7. Arab 633
8. John Carroll 625.97
9. Carroll 620
10. William 618
Also: (18) Eufula 578; (27) Greenville 538; (30) Vigor 531; (39) Gulf Shores 488; (41) Charles Henderson 486; (42) Rehoboth 485; (59) Spanish Fort 421; (64) UMS-Wright 399.6.

CLASS 4A

1. Boaz 393
2. Douglas 391
3. Monroe County 387
4. Madison County 385
5. Elmore County 381
6. Escambia County 381
7. East Limestone 381
8. Selma Southside 374
9. Dora 369
10. Childersburg 367
Also: (14) St. James 361.8; (18) Bullock County 351; (25) Ashford 347; (27) Andalusia 341; (28) Daleville 337; (31) Alabama Christian 330.75; (41) Opp 312; (48) Hillcrest 301; (54) W.S. Neal 296; (55) T.R. Miller 293;

CLASS 3A

1. Good Hope 282
2. Hokes Bluff 282
3. Lauderdale County 280
4. Lincoln 280
5. Loveless 279
6. Greensboro 278
7. Catholic 274.05
8. West Limestone 273
9. Randolph 271.35
10. Winfield 269
Also: (16) Dale County 265; (17) Headland 265; (18) Hayneville Central 265; (19) Straughn 264; (29) Abbeville 251; (39) Pike County 242; (49) Elba 230; (60) Calhoun 217; (66) Slocomb 214.
***Geneva 285 was moved to 3A in a reshuffle on Monday.

CLASS 2A

1. Cleveland 210
2. Piedmont 210
3. Phil Campbell 209
4. Randolph County 209
5. J.B. Pennington 208
6. West Morgan 208
7. Houston County 208
8. Huntsville Catholic 205.2
9. Barbour County 205
10. Red Bay 204
Also: (13) Houston Academy 201.15; (14) Luverne 201; (18) Excel 198; (36) Cottonwood 180; (38) G.W. Long 179; (40) New Brockton 176; (41) Leroy 176; (43) Red Level 175; (44) Highland Home 175; (46) Southern Choctaw 171; (54) Plomaton 161; (57) Geneva County 155; (60) Goshen 154; (62) Samson 149; (63) Reeltown 149; (65) Georgiana 148.

CLASS 1A

1. Parkway Christian 145.8
2. St. Jude 145
3. Belgreen 143.1
4. Holy Family 143.1
5. Sulligent 143
6. Isabella 142
7. Valley Head 142
8. Billingsley 141
9. Skyline 141
10. Athens Bible 133.65
Also: (15) Pleasant Home 127; (16) Brantley 125; (21) Zion Chapel 122; (23) Florida 120; (27) Arton 118; (37) Kinston 111; (39) Providence City 108.41; (50) Sweet Water 97; (68) McKenzie 70.

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In prep basketball action

Kinston Bulldogs sweep past Rebels

The Kinston Bulldogs traveled across the county Friday night for an early-season showdown against the Zion Chapel Rebels and posted three exciting wins to sweep past their county rivals.

Following are highlights of all three games:

VARSITY BOYS

KINSTON 64
ZION CHAPEL 59

The Kinston Bulldogs used a big third quarter to grab the lead and held on late to escape with a 64-59 win over the Zion Chapel Rebels. The Bulldogs trailed 11-8 after one quarter of play and went in at the half on the short end of a 26-22 score. However, Kinston outscored Zion Chapel 21-12 in the third quarter to grab a 43-38 advantage and held on late to post its first win of the season.

Ramsey Phillips scored 24 points to lead Kinston, while Matt Whigham added 12 and Aaron Jacobs and Anthony Weeks both added 10. Abe Childs scored 22 points to lead the Rebels and Byron McWaters added 12.

Kinston (64): Whigham 12, Jacobs 10, Weeks 10, Phillips 24, Driver 6, Elmore 2.
Z.C. (59): Carter 6, Childs 22, Geddins 4, Simmons 7, Lambert 3.

GIRLS VARSITY

KINSTON 43
ZION CHAPEL 31

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs

pulled ahead early and never looked back to claim a 43-31 win over the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels. Kinston owned a slim 6-4 lead after one quarter, but extended its advantage to 24-14 by the end of the half and carried a 37-20 lead into the third quarter as the Lady Bulldogs coasted in with the win.

Brittany Hunko scored 25 points to lead Kinston and Kaleigh Sanders added 9, while Erica Lewis led the Lady Rebels with 9 points.

Kinston (43): Hunko 25, Sanders 9, Patterson 4, Tindell 3, McCall 2, McKinney 2.
Z.C. (31): Hobbs 6, Taylor 3, Lewis 9, (incomplete).

BOYS JUNIOR VARSITY

KINSTON 43
ZION CHAPEL 31

The Kinston Junior Varsity Bulldogs used a big second quarter to take command and rolled to a 43-31 win over Zion Chapel. The Bulldogs owned a narrow 3-2 lead after one quarter, but outscored the Rebels 19-5 in the second quarter to grab a 22-7 halftime lead and easily held on in the second half to claim the win.

Jake Hataway scored 13 points and Tyler Wilson added 11 to lead Kinston, while Zack Stephens and Ethan Mount led the Rebels with 8 points apiece.

Kinston (43): Anderson 2, Moss 2, Johnson 8, Wilson 11, Hataway 13, Cosby 7.
Z.C. (31): Brunson 3, Davis 5, Stephens 8, Mount 8, Winters 2, Tindell 1, Mancil 4.



TAKING IT ON THE CHIN... Zion Chapel's Abe Childs (in white) takes a charge from a Kinston Bulldog in action Friday night. The Bulldogs claimed their first win of the season in the game by slipping past the Rebels 64-59, at Zion Chapel.

(Photo by Laura Baxley)

Area High School ROUNDBALL ROUND-UP

VARSITY BOYS

Kinston stumbles in 80-60 season opening loss to Georgiana

The Kinston Bulldogs tipped off their basketball season last Monday night in Georgiana and fell to the high-scoring Panthers 80-60. The Bulldogs held their own early and trailed only 18-17 after one quarter of play, but watched as Georgiana began to pull away in the second quarter and by the end of the third quarter was on the short end of a 58-40 score. The Bulldogs staged a late rally, but it was too little, too late as they took the loss. Ramsey Phillips scored 19 points and Josh Driver added 16 to lead Kinston, while Kenny Peterson led Georgiana with 31 points.

Zion Chapel Rebels drop opener to Wicksburg 71-37

The Zion Chapel Rebels tipped off their basketball season last Tuesday night with a 71-37 setback to the Wicksburg Panthers. The Rebels trailed only 15-11 after the first quarter, but saw the Panthers open up a 37-24 halftime lead and then watched as Wicksburg took command late to pull away and claim the win. Abe Childs scored 22 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Robert Anderson scored 15 points and Clay Thomley added 13 for the Panthers.

Kinston Bulldogs outscored by Samson Tigers 62-41

The Kinston Bulldogs saw their record slip to 0-2 last Tuesday night with a 62-41 home loss to the Samson Tigers. The Bulldogs came out ready to play and jumped out to a 17-8 lead in the opening quarter, only to see Samson rally in the second quarter and pull even at 26-26 by the end of the half. Samson continued to pour it on

in the second half and pulled away to hand the Bulldogs the loss. Ramsey Phillips scored 23 points to lead Kinston, while Justin Tisdale scored 21 to lead Samson.

VARSITY GIRLS

Kinston Lady Bulldogs tip off season with big 38-20 win

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs tipped off the season with a bang last Monday night as they pounded the Georgiana Lady Panthers 38-20 in Georgiana. Kinston owned a slim 9-6 lead after one quarter, but outscored Georgiana 19-9 over the next two quarters to carry a 28-15 lead into the final quarter and rolled to the win. Brittany Hunko and Kaleigh Sanders both scored 12 points to lead Kinston, while Cheatham led Georgiana with 11 points.

Zion Chapel Lady Rebels rip Wicksburg 35-30

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels opened their season last Tuesday night with a wild 35-30 win over the Wicksburg Lady Panthers. The Lady Rebels jumped out to a big early lead and held on late to pull out the win. Whitley Dent and Rachel Fulford scored 10 points each for the Lady Panthers. No scoring totals were available for the Rebels.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs fall hard to Samson 54-13

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs saw their record slip to 1-1 last Tuesday night after a lopsided 54-13 defeat to the Samson Lady Tigers. The Lady Bulldogs fell behind 17-2 in the opening quarter and never recovered as Samson rolled to the easy win. Brittany Hunko scored 4 points to lead Kinston, while Kala Bess scored 15 points to lead Samson and Kaitlyn Revels added 12.

BOYS JUNIOR VARSITY

Kinston drops opener to Georgiana 42-23

The Kinston Bulldog JV dropped its opener to Georgiana 42-23 last Monday night in Georgiana. Jake Hataway scored 6 points to lead Kinston, while Cheatham scored 7 points to lead Georgiana.

Zion Chapel falls to Wicksburg 48-25

The Zion Chapel JV opened its season last Monday night at home and fell to Wicksburg 48-25. Ethan Mount scored 10 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Zach Stephens added 9 to lead the Rebels, while Thomley scored 13 to lead the Panthers.

Kinston outscored by Samson 25-17

The Kinston Bulldog JV fell to 0-2 on the season last Tuesday night with a 25-17 loss to Samson. Moss scored 6 points to lead Kinston, while Hill led Samson with 10 points.

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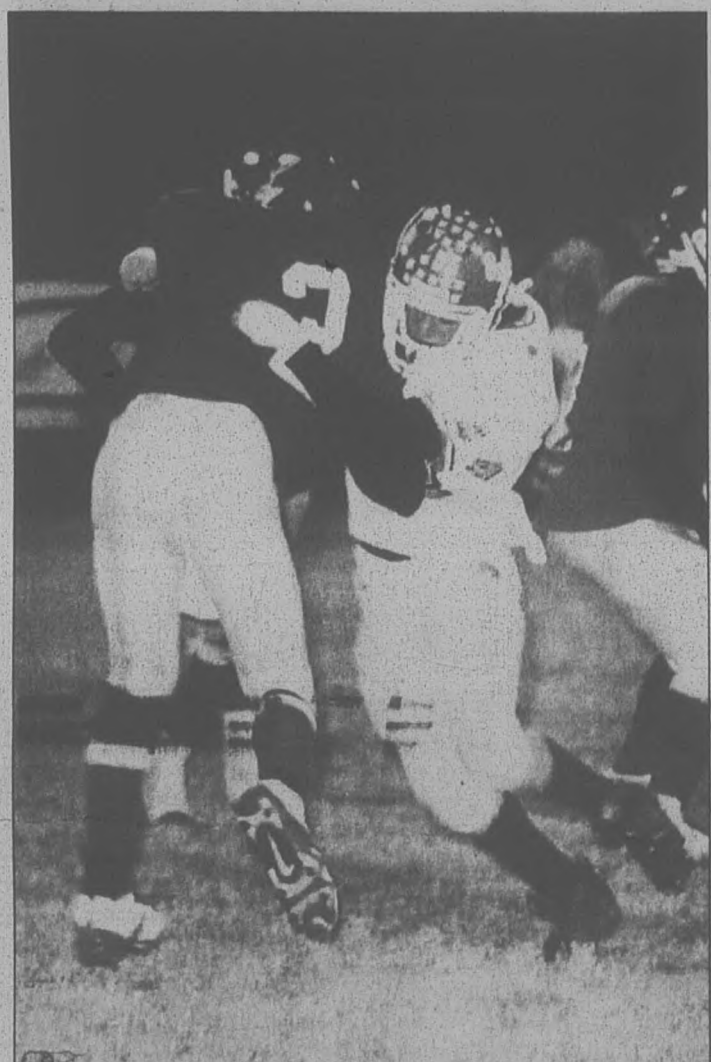
SPORTS



BULLDOG TOUCHDOWN.... Brantley's Chris Booker (25) cuts inside a would be Loachapoka tackler and eyes the endzone as he scores in last week's 27-0 playoff win. This week the Bulldogs will host American Christian Academy in the semifinal round of the state Class 1A football playoffs.



HOLD ON.... Brantley's Dexter Daniels (24) drags down a Loachapoka runner by the shirt tail in action last week in the Bulldogs' 27-0 road win over the Indians. The Brantley defense scored one touchdown and set up two more scores with interceptions in the quarterfinal win.



QUARTERBACK SACK....Brantley's Corey Latham (44) sacks a Loachapoka quarterback for a big loss in last week's 27-0 win over the Indians. The Bulldog pass rush hurried the Indians into 3 interceptions in the playoff win.



END OF THE LINE.... A Loachapoka running back finds no room to run as he meets Brantley defenders Andre Williams (51) and Dexter Williams (24) waiting to make the stop.

Over Loachapoka

Brantley defense leads the way in 27-0 shut-out

By Greg Brunson

Photos by Janet Brunson and Ricky Mularz

The Brantley Bulldogs took another giant step toward Birmingham Friday night with a big 27-0 victory over the Loachapoka Indians, on a bitterly cold night in Loachapoka.

A large crowd of Brantley faithful made the two-hour trip and endured the freezing temperatures to cheer for the Bulldogs, who posted their 12th straight win and upped their record to 12-1 on the season.

After an exchange of punts to open the game, Loachapoka drove from its own 28-yardline and reached a first down and goal at the Brantley two. A motion penalty nullified an Indian touchdown and moved the ball back to the seven, while on the next play Quincy Smith bobbled a pitch-out and Brantley's Justin Wright scooped up the fumble and raced untouched 89 yards for a Bulldog touchdown.

The extra-point was blocked, but with 11:05 remaining in the second quarter Brantley was on the scoreboard and twice in the lead.

The game's next four offensive drives all ended in punts as neither team was able to move the chains. However, punts of 37 and 46 yards by Brantley's Landon Morgan pinballed the Indians back deep in their own territory and the Bulldog defense never gave the Indians a chance as it kept the large Loachapoka crowd quiet.

Brantley's Jon Tyson picked off an Indian pass late in the half and returned the interception 27 yards to set the Bulldogs up at the Loachapoka one-yardline. A two-yard loss and a five-yard walk off after a penalty flag backed Brantley up to its own eight, but the Bulldogs overcame the losses and got back in the endzone when Edgar Walker fired a strike to Shane Corley on an 8-yard touchdown pass. Walker and Corley hooked up again on the two-point conversion and with 1:59 remaining in the second quarter Brantley's lead had grown to 14-0.

Loachapoka returned to the airways on its ensuing possession and once again found the Brantley defense ready and waiting, as this time Dexter Daniels leaped high to intercept an Indian pass and returned the interception 48 yards to the Loachapoka one-yardline. Chris Booker cut inside a block on the next play and scored standing up, and Marcus Owens booted the extra-point as Brantley opened up a 21-0 lead over the stunned Indians with only 29 seconds remaining on the clock.

Loachapoka received the second half kickoff and marched to the Brantley 44-yardline, where on fourth down and one the Indians saw the drive come to an end when a host of Brantley defenders dropped a Loachapoka runner in the backfield for a one-yard loss.

Brantley's offense showed its first signs of life on its initial possession of the third quarter as the Bulldogs moved the ball for three first downs behind the running of James Pittman and Chris Booker. The drive started and ended with an Edgar Walker incompleteness, as on the final play a pass intended for Thad Frazier was tipped away at the goal line.

Loachapoka moved the chains twice on its next possession and moved across midfield, only to see a sack by Corey Latham and Chris Booker push the Indians back across the 50. The Indians were forced to gamble on fourth down, and the gamble failed to pay off as an incompleteness handed the ball right back to the Bulldogs.

James Pittman gained 5 yards on first down to get the Bulldogs headed in the right direction, while on the second play Chris Booker took a toss-sweep around the left end and raced 45 yards for a touchdown. The extra-point try failed, but with 1:16 remaining in the third quarter Brantley owned a 27-0 lead and many of the fans on the home side of the field began to head for the house!

Loachapoka took the ensuing kickoff and put together a 12 play drive that began at its own 10-yardline and reached the Brantley 29. The drive ended when Terrell Burnett tackled an Indian runner for a 5-yard loss on fourth down, and with play early in the fourth quarter the Bulldog shut-out was still alive.

The game's next two possessions ended in interceptions, with Loachapoka's Franchise Pitts picking off a Brantley pass and the Bulldogs' Terry McClain getting the ball right back with an interception.

Brantley ran out the final 4:22 off the clock behind the powerful running of Jeffery Daniels, who bulled his way for gains of 16, 13, 11 and 4 yards to help put the win in the books.

Chris Booker gained 84 yards on 13 carries to lead Brantley, while James Pittman added 56 yards on 11 carries and Jeffery Daniels gained 43 yards on 6 tries.

FIRST HALF STATISTICS

FINAL STATISTICS

WINNER GETS A TICKET TO BIRMINGHAM!!

CLASS 1A SEMIFINALS
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

AMERICAN CHRISTIAN
AT BRANTLEY
KICKOFF 7:00 PM



BRANTLEY BAND.... The Brantley High School Marching Band performed at halftime Friday night at the quarterfinal playoff game at Loachapoka.

Brantley hosts American Christian in 1A semifinals

One of the state's newest and most hotly contested high school football rivalries will be renewed Friday night when the Brantley Bulldogs host the American Christian Patriots, in the semifinal round of the Class 1A state playoffs.

The Bulldogs will bring a 12-1 record and a 12-game winning streak into the clash, while the Patriots will bring the state's #1 ranking and a perfect 13-0 record.

The meeting will be the third between the two 1A powers in the past three years, and if this week's game is anything like the previous two, the fans from both sides should get more than their moneys' worth. American Christian won the first-ever meeting between the two teams 28-27 in the third round of the 2003 playoffs, while last season in the third round Brantley repaid the favor and posted an exciting 17-16 win.

Brantley advanced into this week's semifinal match-up with a hard fought 27-0 win last week over Loachapoka, and it was the Bulldog defense that led the way in the win as Brantley converted three second quarter turnovers into touchdowns. Brantley's Chris Booker did find room to run in the second half and closed the game with 84 yards on 13 carries, while James Pittman added 56 yards on 11 carries and Jeffery Daniels bulled his way

for 43 yards on 6 carries.

American Christian will bring one of the state's highest scoring offensive teams into the playoff battle and will be led by All-State quarterback Chris Smelly, a 6-3, 213-pound, senior, that has thrown for over 50 touchdowns this season. The Patriots boast 17 seniors on this year's team that will be locking up with Brantley for the third time, and many of the state's high school sportswriters pick them as the team to beat in the 1A ranks.

American Christian's wins have come over Coffeeville 62-8, John Essex 48-2, A.L. Johnson 44-6, Carrollton 55-8, Hale County 41-6, Sunshine 51-12, Linden 35-12, Sweet Water 41-40, Akron 43-0, South Lamar 50-44, Nottulsa 56-16, Florala 45-22 and Linden 28-6.

While Brantley will enter the game as huge underdogs, it has already eliminated defending state champion Sweet Water 30-13, and has to be confident it can score points against a Patriot defense that has allowed an average of almost 15 points a game, and has twice allowed an opponent to score over 40 points. Round 3 of the Brantley-American Christian battle will take place Friday night in Brantley, and it should be yet another classic in the rich history of the two team's playoff battles!

HELP LET THE 'DOGS OUT FRIDAY NIGHT WITH YOUR SUPPORT!!
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COMMUNITY NEWS



2005 FARM OF DISTINCTION....Jack Sherrer Farms received the 2005 Farm of Distinction award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. The award, presented by Steven Bozeman, left, and Steve Wyrosdick, right, was accepted by Jack and Sharon Sherrer.

2005 Farm City award winners (not pictured) included:
• Wayne Farms Top Broiler Producer of the Year - Jerry Hollis;
• Wayne Farms Hen Producer of the Year - William R. and Carmuletta Jones Hawthorne;
• Outstanding Conservation Farmer - Joey Powell;
• Forestry Award - Dr. James T. Grimes;
• Outstanding Youth - Bradley Nichols, Delores Bell and Mark Windham, all of New Brockton High School; Donna L. Flowers, Keri Flowers and Keri Hobbs, all of Zion Chapel High School; Ashley Carter, Joshua Driver and Brittany Hunko, all of Kinston High School; Will Rainer, Dorothy Robinson and Kimberly Henderson, all of Enterprise High School; Ashleigh Waddail, Casey Medlock and Kayla Kelley, all of Elba High School.



2005 COTTON AWARD....Bret Dalrymple received the 2005 Cotton award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Pictured from is: Amy Winstead, Dalton Dalrymple, Kim Dalrymple, Dylan Dalrymple, Dakota Dalrymple, Bret Dalrymple, Bobby Crutchfield and Steven Bozeman.



2005 PEANUT AWARD....Kenneth Sanders received a 2005 Peanut award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Sanders and his wife, Susanne, are shown accepting the award from Bobby Crutchfield and Steven Bozeman.



2005 SERVICE INDUSTRY AWARD....Covington Electric Cooperative received the 2005 Service Industry award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. The award was presented to company official James Aplin (holding award) by Elba and Enterprise chamber of commerce representatives Billy Cotter, Kaye Whitworth and Kathy Sauer.



PILGRIMS PRIDE BROILER PRODUCER OF THE YEAR....Glenda Daniels received the 2005 Pilgrims Pride Broiler Producer of the Year award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Daniels along with her husband, John, received the award from Pilgrims Pride representatives Rick Tullis, left, and Jason Robinette, right.

Raffle to be held for Elba playground project

"Over 50 Elba merchants have donated items for a 'prize package' with a combined value of well over \$1,000 to be given away on Saturday, Dec. 17.

The 'prize package' will be on display at the Kiwanis Club/Elba Community Playground booth at the Christmas Festival on Saturday, Nov. 26, on the square. Donation tickets will be available at \$2 each.

To make donations, to view the 'prize package' and to see a complete list of merchants who have donated items, please visit the booth this Saturday on the courthouse lawn.

All proceeds will directly benefit the Elba Community Playground project."

Happy Thanksgiving

2005 LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION....Pine View Farms, operated by Michael and Danielle McCart, received a 2005 Livestock Production award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Presenting the award to Danielle McCart were Max Bozeman (left) and Steven Bozeman (right).



2005 LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION....Larry Reeves (center) received a 2005 Livestock Production award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Presenting the award to Reeves were Max Bozeman (left) and Steven Bozeman (right).

ATTEND A CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY!



2005 INDUSTRY OF THE YEAR....ALFAB, Inc. of Enterprise received the 2005 Industry of the Year award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Accepting the award was Bruner R. Dicus (red sweater), CEO, along with Neal Brown, vice president, and Danny Dicus. Shown presenting the award is Frank Thompson, director of the Enterprise Coffee Geneva Economic Development board.



2005 PEANUT AWARD....Carl Sanders received a 2005 Peanut award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Sanders, left, is shown accepting his award. It was presented by Bobby Crutchfield and Steven Bozeman.



WAYNE FARMS PULLET GROWER OF THE YEAR....Halpin and Brenda Byrd received the 2005 Wayne Farms Pullet Grower of the Year award last Thursday evening, Nov. 17, during the Coffee County Farm City banquet. Halpin Byrd (right) is shown receiving the award from Wayne Farms representative Wayne Meeks.

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project and will sign-ups must
be received before Dec. 30th.
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this time will not qualify for
the reduced price.

The areas to be upgraded
and extended are in the Ino
Community, Danstacus
Community, and New
Brockton. Some of the roads
included in this project are:
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260, County Rd. 54, County
Rd. 545, County Rd. 547,
County Road 448, County
Rd. 450, parts of Hwy. 134,
parts of Hwy. 87, parts of
County Rd. 625 and parts of
County Rd. 410.

This project is being funded
through the U.S. Department
of Agriculture, Rural
Development, for a total of
\$1,124,000.

A map of the project area is
available at New Brockton
City Hall. For information
call New Brockton Water
Dept. at 894-5550.



SANTA SPOTTED IN TOWN... Those who travel along the 203
bypass in Elba shouldn't be surprised to see Santa wandering around
over the next few weeks. The jolly 'ole man in red arrived at Kids
Unlimited on Monday, Nov. 21, and will be in town for a little
while. Santa's already been working on his Christmas list and is cer-
tainly ready to hear from local youngsters on what they want for
Christmas. Photos with Santa also are available for \$5. Proceeds
will benefit needy children in the local area.

STAR

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behavior as a visiting team.

Weeks said it is important for
students to show class and
pride as they represent them-
selves and their school.

"Unfortunately, we as adults
are sometimes to blame for the
lack of sportsmanship because
we don't set the right example,"
he said. "If students are not
taught how to behave and
respect others, reading, writing
and math alone won't help them
be successful citizens."

Weeks said it is important for
the schools to teach students not
only academically but to also
prepare them character wise.

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dence we can all be proud of

when it comes to educating our
children about good character,"
said Senator Holley. "By
expanding this program to all
elementary students these
superintendents have set an
example for the rest of the state
to follow. We should educate
every student in Alabama on
the values of good sportsman-
ship."

Dr. Ingram said she sees the
STAR program as a great edi-
tion to the existing efforts to
teach character education.

"Today's students want more
technology because that is what
appeals to them," she said.

"Using technology and sports
to teach character education

like sportsmanship is a great
way to reach today's tech savvy
learners."

Learning Through Sports
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lisher of interactive sports
games that teach core subject
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students in grades K-12. LTS
was founded in 2001 by
Auburn University graduate
and football captain Brian
Shulman who is a Birmingham,
Ala., native.

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